

## A Very Happy Birthday To All!

Members are asked to bring a wrapped gift to the club meeting for the month of their Birthday. The gifts go to the winners of the Sunshine Drawings. Sunshine funds raised are used to purchase cards, flowers, or other expressions of care and concern for club members who need support and comfort.
Since we aren't having in-person meetings, we will catch up when we can meet in-person and bring gifts for all the missed months.

## Sunshine Fund Report

|  | May-20 | YTD 2020 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Proceeds | $\$ 20.00$ | $\$ 370.37$ |
| Expenditures | $\$-$ | $\$-$ |
| Net | $\$ 20.00$ | $\$ 370.37$ |

> GENERAL (ZOOM) MEETING JULY 14 @ 7 P.M. WATCH YOUR EMAIL FOR FURTHER INFORMATION.

> THE CLUB IS CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE DUE TO COVID-19. PLEASE CHECK YOUR EMAILS AND THE WEBSITE FOR UPDATES.
If anyone needs assistance with shopping, supplies, etc., please contact a member of the Board.

## Toy Group Issue

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## A Word from Our President

W$e^{\prime}$ ve now had two months of Zoom Board and General meetings, and it's working. A big shout-out to the Technology Committee for making it happen, providing instruction and assisting us in polls, chat comments, and keeping attendance. It is amazing how we can adapt when we have to. Considering the current statistics for Texas and our local communities regarding Covid-19, I believe our club meetings will continue to be held via Zoom for the foreseeable future. Take advantage of having everyone's name below their picture and put those names with a face.
Have you ever rescued a dog? It doesn't have to be from a shelter, sometimes they appear on your doorstep, or a prior owner can no longer care for a dog. It amazes me how dogs adapt, what they bring with them that never goes away, and what they can leave behind and overcome. To watch a dog evolve from an inadequate environment to come into your home, to fit in with the family, and to steal your heart is nothing short of a miracle. We'll never know what memories they have to replace with new hope, what demons they have had to overcome to trust, and what parts of their past they have to forgive and forget to love, but they do it. You and I are the beneficiaries of this graciousness.
Let's extend graciousness to all aspects of our lives, but mostly, to each other. We are all in this together, whether it is dealing with Covid-19 or seeing protestors march across the nation's streets. I appreciate the diversity and inclusiveness of this club and urge everyone to be involved and to be gracious.

## Your President,

## Shari Price




## 2020 Officers \& Directors

President - Shari Price Vice President - Pam White Training Director - Joe Warner Secretary - Terri Schurr Treasurer - Marilyn Hopkins Member at Large - Benita Zapata Member at Large - Linda Shearin Member at Large - Shannon Quinn Member at Large - Jana McBroom
Corporate Directors:
Lynda Holman
Mark Malone
Maurine Pearson

# The Training Committee Corner Let's Paint A New Picture 

By Pam White

Do you ever feel like you stopped your dog short of reaching his or her true potential? How many of us have experienced the loss of enthusiasm in our awesome performing dogs? How many of us have conceded defeat to a sport with the reasoning the dog just doesn't like it? I think one way or another we have all dealt with these feelings \& frustrations. But, WHAT DO WE DO?


Avery

I was talking to Carol Ford and she confided she felt she had let Gauge down. I asked why, and she reminded me of his dislike of dock jumping and swimming in her home pool. However, she took the dogs on an outing to a lake and Gauge walked into the water on his own, swam and swam, chased ducks and really showed he WAS a water dog. I told her many dogs are confused by the water of a lake and that of a pool which is clear. So, the different look of the water, allowing him to investigate alone and build his confidence slowly obtained a totally different picture.
Many times our training hits a dead end, the dog starts acting differently. That is the time to put our imagina-


Kellie
tion to work and paint that new picture to encourage excitement in our work again. No two dogs can be trained exactly alike, which means the good intentions of our instructors might not be the answers for every dog.
I have encountered dogs when given a command (heel) from the owner, causes reactions that let me know there are too many bad experiences associated with the term to even use it. Then I explain we will paint a new picture with a new command to help relieve the stress from the dog and create a happier attitude for this exercise.

My Boston Terrier, Avery, loves Dock jumping, but doesn't push off from the dock - he goes in head first. With the use of a PVC bar \& pool noodle, we changed the picture of the end of the dock.
We have a new member to our family, Kellie. She is a little timid, but I am continually trying to paint new pictures for her. She discovered nature's balls (pears) in the back yard, so we have started training/playing with her newfound treasures.
Marshal was having trouble with his dumbbell. So, I changed his picture to


Marshal a heavier one, which seems to be helping our work.
Not all ideas or methods work on everyone's dogs, but don't be an unmotivated trainer. Have some goofy fun and paint that new picture!
Happy Training!

## Information We Need to Know

1.The Club now has a Zoom account. Contact Donna Heishman (donna@heishman.net) or Margaret Culbertson (texasdaisy42002@yahoo.com) if you need to have a committee meeting, training meeting, etc. and they can set you up. Once your meeting starts, they can sign off and leave it with you.
2. The new Roster and Committee Listing are on the website. If you need to up-

3 Please remember that even though we aren't meeting in person, the Sunshine 3. Committee (Laura Lipscomb) is still functioning. Please contact Laura if you know of a member who could use a smile or a thought from the Sunshine Committee. Email Laura at: bouvsgrl@aol.com
4. Upcoming Show ' N Go Schedule: Canceled until further notice.
5. Most dog events (AKC, UKC, etc.) have been canceled; check their web-- sites before entering or trying to attend.
6.

It is hot and will only get hotter. Remember to provide plenty of water (a) and shade for your pets and don't leave them in a car unattended.

7 Snakes are a natural part of the Texas landscape; they also easily blend - in with ground cover and rocks. Although many snakes are not harmful, a bite by a copperhead or rattle snake can make a dog (or human) very sick or worse. Watch for snakes!
8. The new 2020 Eventbrite member registration code is:
O. dog2020club
Q. Upcoming Board Meetings: July 7, August 4, September 8

- at 7 p.m. via Zoom

10. Upcoming General Meetings: July 14, August 11, September 15 1 • at 7 p.m. via Zoom

11 Also, please note that the August 11 General Meeting is the election 1 . of the Nominating Committee (NC) which is comprised of 5 members, elected by majority vote of those attending the meeting. The person with the most votes is the Chair. A Corporate Director joins the NC as advisor.

> All Classes and Training are Suspended Until Further Notice. Thank you to all the instructors who planned and started Session 2. We hope for you to be able to share your knowledge and experience when classes start again.

| D | g Training Club of Dallas County <br> Board Meeting <br> June 18, 2020 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Agenda |  |
| Meeting called by | President |
| Type of meeting | Board Meeting |
| Facilitator | Shari Price |
| Secretary | Terri Schurr |
| Attendees | Attendance: Shari Price, Shannon Quinn, Pam White, Linda Shearin, Marilyn Hopkins, Terri Schurr, Jana McBroom, Benita Zapata, Lynda Holman, Mark Malone, Carol Ford (for Joe Warner) |
|  | CALLED TO ORDER BY Shari Price @ 7:07 pm |

## SECRETARY'S REPORT - Terri Schurr

| Discussion | - Ask if there were any additional corrections or additions to the May 1 Board <br> Meeting minutes. |
| :--- | :--- |
| Conclusion | - Benita Zapata moved to accept the minutes. Linda Shearin seconded. Motion <br> passed. |

TREASURER'S REPORT - Marilyn Hopkins

| Discussion | - Financial report |  |  |
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| Conclusion |  |  |  |
|  | Balance Sheet as of May 31, 2020  <br> Cash  <br> Operating $\$ 5,877.90$ <br> Savings $47,005.55$ <br> Petty Cash 104.00 |  |  |
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|  | Total | \$52,987.45 |  |
|  | Profit \& Loss Statement May YTD |  |  |
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|  | Total Proceeds | \$ 70.77 | \$11,300 |
|  | Total Expenditures | \$4,966.31 | \$16,942 |
|  | Net Surplus (Deficit) | (\$4,895.54) | \$ 5,642 |
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## TRAINING COMMITTEE - Carol Ford for Joe Warner

| Discussion | -96\% of members were not ready to reopen. We need more follow up with <br> on-line video training. Joe has not heard from anyone about video <br> training. <br>  <br>  <br>  <br>  <br> - Considering August-September session and October-November session. <br> - We will not reopen with a full schedule. <br> - Dotting instructors that are comfortable teaching is a challenge. <br> - our dogs and the floor mats? <br> - Books for students or lessons on-line. <br> - Do members feel comfortable training? <br> - Social distancing? <br> - How many students/classes/nights per week? |
| :--- | :--- |
| Conclusion | It is hard to plan for reopening when we don't know the end result. Carol, Pam <br> and Linda will work on determining how we could safely instruct and how many <br> people and dogs could be in the building at one time. Carol will look at the training <br> book inventory and determine if we need to get more printed. |

## OLD BUSINESS - Shari Price

| Discussion | None |
| :--- | :--- |
| Conclusion |  |

## NEW BUSINESS - Shari Price

| Discussion | - Taxes are due July 15 for April and June quarterly payments. <br> - Lana's software for publishing the PawPrint and questions: <br> *is the $\$ 635$ a one-time cost? <br> * Adobe modules <br> * is there an annual fee or update fees? <br> * is it transferable if Lana no longer is the Paw Print editor? <br> - Carol Ford will contact the members who still need to renew their membership for the general meeting. <br> - Carol Ford has had members ask to have more Zoom meetings. Committees may also meet by Zoom. <br> - July 7 and August 4 the Board will meet at 7:00 p.m. <br> - July 14 and August 11 are the General Meetings at 7:00 p.m. At the August meeting we will be electing the members of the Nominating Committee to present a slate of board members for 2021. <br> - Shari has prepared a memo for reopening the club in consideration of the health and public safety for anyone entering the building when we do reopen and to comply with state and local guidelines and mandates. It has been sent to the Board for comments and suggestions before rolling out to the membership. |
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Linda Shearin moved to adjourn. Shannon Quinn seconded. Motion passed.
Meeting adjourned @ 8:20 pm.
Respectfully submitted,
Terri Schurr, Secretary

# Dog Training Club of Dallas County 

General Meeting June 23, 2020

Agenda

| Meeting called by | President |
| :--- | :--- |
| Type of meeting | General Membership Meeting |
| Facilitator | Shari Price |
| Note taker | Terri Schurr |
| Attendees | See Attendance Roster |
|  | CALLED TO ORDER BY Shari Price @ 7:14pm via Zoom |

## Polling Rules were discussed by Margaret Culbertson:

1. Nicole is helping with Zoom tonight. She will read chat comments.
2. We are recording the meeting.
3. Viewing the meeting is by Speaker view or multiple participants.
4. Voting- test poll: Pharaoh Hounds
5. Raise your hand to speak.

## SECRETARY'S REPORT - Terri Schurr

| Discussion | •Asked if there were any corrections or additions to the May General Meeting <br> Minutes. |
| :--- | :---: |
| Conclusion | Marye Boyce moved to accept and Benita Zapata seconded. Motion passed. |

TREASURER'S REPORT - Shari Price for Marilyn Hopkins

| Discussion | $\bullet$ Financial report (see Board Minutes from June 18) |
| :--- | :---: |
| Conclusion | $\bullet$ The quarterly taxes for April and June are due July 15. |

PAW PRINT COMMITTEE - Lana Shuman

| Discussion | - Software is needed to produce the PawPrint. <br> - Adobe creative cloud is $\$ 650 /$ year. It is leased off the cloud and attached to one email. Committees would have access to flyers and announcements created by Lana. <br> - Several members pointed out that before using email to send out the PawPrint, we had to make copies and mail them, which in today's dollars, would cost more per month that the software. <br> - The PawPrint is the official communication of the club. <br> - David Elliot moved to purchase the software. <br> - Georgann Hughes seconded. Motion passed by 94\%. |
| :---: | :---: |
| Conclusion | - The July edition will feature the Toy Group. Lana needs photos of Independence Day costume and brags. The deadline is June 27. |

SOCIAL COMMITTEE - Krystal Hatcher

| Discussion | $\bullet$ Summer Social is cancelled. She is considering a Fall event in a park. |
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| Conclusion | $\bullet$ She will wait until a later date to make a decision. |

TRAINING COMMITTEE - Carol Ford for Joe Warner
Discussion

1. We are getting training books ready for reopening.
2. Sally has been contacting members with longevity with the club for teaching.
3. Linda Shearin, Pam White and Carol Ford will meet at the club to assess the training areas in regards to social distancing.
a. How extra sanitation will be accomplished?
b. Will the new chemicals be harmful to our dogs and mats?
4. Jose Rodriguez has contacts for sanitation products (foggers).
5. Video training is still being considered.
6. Why aren't we reopening club to members only?

TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE - Margaret Culbertson for Donna Heishman

| Discussion | - All equipment at the club is working. |
| :--- | :---: | :--- |
| Conclusion | - All committees have access to Zoom for their meetings. |

## OLD BUSINESS

| Discussion | $\bullet$ Discussed the reopening. |
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| Conclusion | $\bullet$ It is a wait and see situation. |

## NEW BUSINESS

| Discussion | - Responsibilities to members and the community. The Board is setting up protocols for health and safety. The document will be passed out at the July Zoom meeting. <br> - Future Zoom meetings: Board Meeting: July 7, August 4 \& September 8. General Meeting: July 14, August 11 \& September 15. <br> - The Nominating Committee will be selected at the August General meeting. The logistics of this is being discussed the Technology committee. <br> - A quorum is $20 \%$ or 36 members. |
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| Conclusion |  |

Motion to adjourn: Shannon Quinn. Seconded by Carol Ford. Motion passed Meeting adjourned at 8:33 pm.
Respectfully submitted,

Terri Schurr, Secretary



# My Toy Group Dogs 

By Mim Aiken



Teeny (Teeny Bit of Brown Sugar) Our Chihuahua is an Aztec Princess. She believes she should be carried not walk LOL

## AKC Chihuahua

The Chihuahua is a tiny dog with a huge personality. A national symbol of Mexico, these alert and amusing "purse dogs" stand among the oldest breeds of the Americas, with a lineage going back to the ancient kingdoms of pre-Columbian times.
The Chihuahua is a balanced, graceful dog of terrier-like demeanor, weighing no more than 6 pounds. The rounded "apple" head is a breed hallmark. The erect ears and full, luminous eyes are acutely expressive. Coats come in many colors and patterns, and can be long or short. The varieties are identical except for coat.
Chihuahuas possess loyalty, charm, and big-dog attitude. Even tiny dogs require training, and without it this clever scamp will rule your household like a little Napoleon. Compact and confident, Chihuahuas are ideal city pets. They are too small for roughhousing with kids, and special care must be taken in cold weather, but Chihuahuas are adaptable - as long as they get lots of quality time in their preferred lap.

## UKC Chihuahua

The history of the Chihuahua is lost in antiquity. It is known that both the Toltecs and the Aztecs kept dogs, some of which were used for food, some for religious purposes, and some for companionship. Whether these dogs were Chihuahuas or not is uncertain. The breed came to the attention of the modern world in the mid-19th century when American visitors to Mexico brought the tiny dogs home. Chihuahuas first appeared in American dog shows in 1890. Today the Chihuahua is a popular companion dog.
The Chihuahua was recognized by the United Kennel Club in 1948.
The Chihuahua is a small, active dog, with a rounded skull; a short, pointed muzzle; erect ears that flare out somewhat to the side; and a sickle tail. The breed comes in many colors and color patterns, and in both smooth and long coats.


Despite its small size, the Chihuahua is an alert, active dog with plenty of self-confidence. The Chihuahua's small size and devotion to its owner have made this breed a popular companion dog. Chihuahuas are courageous little watchdogs who are more than willing to defend their territory against strange people and dogs.



Wilder (A Walk on the Wild Side) is my little Min Pin. He and I do Nosework and some Obedience.

## AKC Miniature Pinscher

The leggy Miniature Pinscher is known to fans as the "King of Toys." This proud, fearless, fun-loving toy breed of lustrous coat and a compact, wedge-shaped physique is a true personality dog, known for a high-stepping "hackney" gait.
Min Pins are sturdy, compact dogs standing no more than 12.5 inches at the shoulder. The smooth, shiny coat comes in two shades of solid red, or chocolate-and-rust or black-and-rust. The dark, slightly oval eyes and high-set ears help bring out a self-possessed, "big dog" personality. A distinguishing characteristic is the Min Pin's high-stepping "hackney" gait, reminiscent of a hackney horse at the trot.

## UKC Miniature Pinscher

Well-known as the "Min-Pin", the Miniature Pinscher has been bred in Germany for hundreds of years. One theory is that it was developed by breeding the German Pinscher to Dachshunds and Italian Greyhounds to obtain a smaller-sized dog. It was one of the breeds included in the Pinscher-Schnauzer Club formed in Germany in the 1890's.
The Miniature Pinscher was recognized by the United Kennel Club in 1936.

The Miniature Pinscher is structurally well balanced and sturdy. It is compact and short coupled. The breed is smooth coated and naturally well groomed. Characteristic of the breed is its hackney-like gaiting action.


# Miniature Pinscher 

By Nicole and Stephane Desproges

Neo and Zedd, our Min Pins, enjoyed a visit to Dinosaur Valley State Park this past month. Although they are probably as big as a dinosaur's toe, they wouldn't know it! Fearless, animated, sturdy little pups, they live up to the "King of Toys" title. Miles of hiking will not slow down these energetic, spirited and athletic seven-pounders!

## Tiny Tyrants, Huge Personality

By Georgann Truitt Hughes


Sally, Toy Poodle, Truitt Sally Goodin CGC UD FD

A$h$, the tiny tyrants! Smallest group in stature, but big in personality! Bred down to serve as lap dogs, many for royalty to lavish praise or even to draw fleas away from the human bodies to supposedly avoid the Plague, they have become favorites of people in apartments, people who want a little dog and don't want to deal with a bigger dog with a bigger appetite, some want them as even fashion accessories and a small creature they can dress up, carry around or push in strollers much like a baby. These little canines eat up all the attention they can get! Some have learned to be master manipulators of the human race simply because they are so darn cute! Toy dog owners need to be careful - treating these little ones as "baby dolls" and fragile little creatures can
 end up with class A spoiled brats that can become snappy, yappy and difficult to live with!

You may ask why I am writing about toy dogs, when I've been mostly associated with border collies and their rescue. Simply because I've had the wonderful experience to have lived with 3 toy dogs with very large personalities and who were/very smart.
Those who have known me since the first time I joined the club in 1997 -might've been 1998 - after marrying my husband and moving to Cedar Hill, and a few well back before that remember me showing a little black toy poodle in obedience by the name of Sally. Truitt Sally Goodin CGC UD FD. Sally was my first dog as an adult. I won't go into how I got her or how we got into the sport of obedience, but suffice it to say that Sally gave me the best education in training and in dog behavior than any other dog or human could, many times by fire. She was a great pet dog and I'm so very glad I never babied her but treated her as a dog. A Best Friend kind of dog. She hiked trails up mountains of northern New Mexico every summer and traveled everywhere I could take her.

Sally did earn that UD and we managed to get 9 UDX legs, spent two years off and on trying to get that last leg, but I finally retired her at age 11 or 12 . She was still in really good shape, died just before age 16, but she was ring-wise and smarter than I. She never busted the same exercise twice in a row and never fouled the ring, bit a judge or ran out of the ring - just pulled about every other offense known to AKC obedience regulations. Because of Sally, though, I found a fantastic group of dog lovers, she taught me to be patient,
 take the good with the bad, not take everything so seriously (although I did leave the ring in total humiliation more times than I care to count) and to think on my feet to try to salvage a few routines! Sally did manage to earn her CGC and the Flyball Dog title, but really saw that more as a spectator sport she'd rather watch foolish dogs perform.
Was Sally a typical toy dog? Oh, yes. Very smart, loyal to a fault as a companion. Master manipulator of me, standard poodle Merlin and border collie Cody. They feared to cross Miss Sally, Queen B. She even tried to intimidate my husband, Donnie, after we met and were engaged. If he sat too close to her on the couch, she would growl at him. He started to apologize to her, which I quickly put a stop to, having him pick her up and put her on the floor, an action which brought about snarling, bared teeth and snapping. Never made contact - ever - but I had Donnie then pick her up, hold her like a baby, tap her gently on the muzzle until she stopped snarling, at which time she then would start licking him, sat on his lap when he put her down and treated him like he was the best thing since sliced liver.


Piranha, the pet Chihuahua, they rescued...

Our next toy dog was a little pet chihuahua that a neighbor found as a stray, but couldn't touch because this scared, scrawny little dog would snap at her. Donnie managed to get this little girl to let him pick her up and put her in a crate so he could bring her home. I looked in at this little pup, who promptly snarled and snapped at my hand if it got near the crate door. Hence, she was christened Piranha. We had a pizza for dinner, so I got some crust and poked small bits through the door, which she gobbled up. Shortly, we opened the crate and enticed her to come out to us for more pizza crust. She finally decided we were ok and the snarling, snapping stopped. Piranha lived as a pet dog, loved to terrorize the bigger dogs and became a friend to Jazz, our present toy dog, a Pekingese!
Most of you now know Jazz, EC MI ME SN EHD The Jazz Man SWNC, a rescue Peke that Donnie brought home from a star party at Mountain View College in April 2012. The vet estimated him to be 4 months old, no collar, no chip, any efforts to find an owner unsuccessful. My previous attitude toward Pekingese was "Who the heck would want one?" Little hairy, waddly, push faced dogs? After having poodles and border collies? Jazz has changed that attitude as he eats up Nosework/Scentwork,


Jazz, Pekingese, EC MI ME SN EHD The Jazz Man SWNC
something few Pekingese have attempted. He is our border collie incognito! Loves to fetch a ball, is always up for anything and is fearless! He can have what I've learned is called a "Peke-atude" which can be a show of stubbornness, but a favorite treat usually pulls him out of it. This dog keeps us smiling because he is simply the happiest dog a I've ever been around. He loves everybody and everything!
So, am I a toy dog expert? No, but I have experienced these 3 little big dogs and am glad I treated them as such, not little baby dolls! That would be disrespectful to them!
If you should desire to find a toy dog to be a part of your world, be very careful to find a very good, reputable breeder. Too many pet breeders have bred them down further to the "teacup" or "sleeve" sizes, which results in increased health problems. Many Pekes and pugs can have respiratory problems due to having even shorter muzzles than the breed standard calls for. Many toys have patella problems, allergies and neurological issues. If you are lucky enough to find a rescue toy, be aware there may be unknown health problems behind them. By all means, search good rescue groups that take in these little giants, but be sure it's a group that has thoroughly evaluated their foster dogs.
Toys can be awesome companions and sports competitors! There are pugs, papillons, Pomeranians, toy poodles, chihuahuas and other toys who have excelled in several sports! It takes special handling to train these dogs, especially, I think, in obedience. You have to adjust your walking stride, equipment is scaled down, etc. If you are successful, you'll
 end up with people watching you work together as favorites!
They're just so stinking cute! Don't forget that they are still dogs. Cute, lots of personality, don't see themselves as little, but they're still dogs and do need to be trained as such, with a few different techniques. If you make a good choice after doing your homework, train them with positive techniques, you'll have a blast! If you doubt that, come watch Jazz and I do Nosework! He keeps me smiling, no matter what!


> $T$he 4th of July can be one of the most miserable times for our pets. Some dogs are much more reactive/sensitive than others. Fireworks can cause your dog to act in unexpected ways: escaping the yard, panic that causes excessive and destructive behavior, refusing to go outside to the bathroom, shaking/trembling, sheer terror, etc. Protect your pets. Leave them inside when possible; turn on fans or other white-type noise; give them (approved) calming medication or wraps; keep them in a safe place.

## Cavalier King Charles Spaniels

By Terri Schurr


Cavalier King Charles Spaniels are the largest of the Toy Group. They were named for King Charles II, who wrote a royal edict that no Spaniel could be denied entrance to any public buildings, including Parliament. But their Royal history goes back even further to Mary Queen of Scots, who imported the Spaniel from France.
The first most famous Cavalier was Queen Victoria's Tricolor "Dash." There are four colors of Cavaliers. Blenheim, named for Blenheim Castle; Tricolor; Ruby and Black and Tan. Blenheim and Tricolor are the most popular colors. Ruby and Black and Tan are considered whole colors. And the most popular of all would be a Blenheim girl with a thumbprint or lozenge on the center of her head.
Cavaliers have wonderful personalities. They are very sweet and loving. They watch TV with us, usually in our laps.
Cavaliers love walks, agility courses, rally and obedience classes. But they are also great therapy dogs. Because of their small size they can sit and lay on peoples' laps. They are known as a Comfort Spaniel in England.
Cavaliers thrive being around their family. They do not like being left alone, so one Cavalier is never enough. They get along well with other dogs and cats. And they love children.
A Cavalier is a good choice for a family. They are small enough for soft pet carriers to be carry-on luggage on planes. In general, a Cavalier is a sweet loving companion for young and old, single or families.
(Top) Chester in a library reading program.
(Middle) A litter of puppies. I think they have the zoomies.
(Left) Gidgett ready to give therapy.
(Bottom left) Gidgett giving therapy at the VA hospital in Dallas.
(Bottom right) Gidgett and Chester sitting on their front porch.

## Cricket the Manchester Terrier-Chihuahua Mix

Donna Conner shared that her Cricket is a Manches-ter-Terrier-Chihuahua mix. She's a bit shy but given some time she warms up to whoever or whatever she is presented with. She's not a barker, nor a shy-biter (praise God!). She's a great house-watcher and takes her job seriously, until given the all-clear. Cricket was born Oct. 6, 2016, and I adopted her in April of 2017. She was quite shy of all of us when I brought her home, but before the week had passed, she knew this was her forever home.


# What? A Puppy in the House? 

By Jan Hitchborn



Iam sure that is what my Three Musketeers are saying. The three-week mark is upon us and I have always found with that final acceptance that the new one is staying arrives as reluctant realization sets in the new one is not leaving. Up to then it is "When is it leaving? Seriously why? Get it away." I told them he was going to be their D'artagnan. Much to Logan's dismay, Rookie gravitated to him immediately due to his size and color as Rookie had both his mom and dad the entire time until he came here. Maggie who is my one to always want someone to play was the snittiest until this past week when I believe she started to see the possibilities of a play partner. Rookie watches and imitates in the fetch and retrieve game with her and actually started offering me a toy to toss. Then there is Skye my little controller. She tries to control what the pup does and where from time to time and I keep telling her as she is corrected, he is going to be her size in a couple weeks! I think Maggie is happy to have someone else the recipient of Skye's corrections.


So, it has been since 2014 for a puppy in the house. I have to salute and commend all those out there who have raised a puppy as a solo human in the house. This is my first without children to help (?if you call it help) by coming home from school to let puppy out or a college student graduated and home looking for an apartment and job or a retired husband, bless him! Jim had the total all day puppy experience with Maggie, Skye and Logan. I had evening play and nighttime and on weekends. We had each other to hand duties over to as well as early mornings and nighttime potty needs. For some reason Logan just won't get up and take puppy outside while I rest! But thank goodness for the Pack for teaching in and out back door. All in all, not a lot of complaining here as after the first couple nights Rookie has been sleeping 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. straight. He has learned to joyfully scamper with the Pack off to bed and into his crate as the others peel off to their respective places. Only twice Rookie Hitchborn have I felt the need for an afternoon or midmorning rest.
I use my very now forgiving dogs as examples to watch and learn doing little obedience things in kitchen where the pup can watch and watch he does. The sitting and waiting for a crate to be opened or for a treat happened almost immediately. He is a watcher and so the Watch Me just came to him. To my total



Rookie tires to take a nap on the windowsill.
amazement I discovered that Rookie, and I am going to assume all puppies, naturally have that "perfect down" from a stand or sit that I never took in or as was pre DTCDC days did not recognize and most likely messed up training the down. His is classic textbook that my three still don't really have and Skye only in the training box. I gave that down its name from the get-go. Hope he keeps it.
I am enjoying learning the ways of the world through the eyes of a Golden puppy once more and am as much in awe of them as I was in 2001 with Lady Sadie. I did sort of raise her solo in a way as Jim had retired from corporate America and was selling cars until SS started so I had long evenings and every Saturday alone with her. I was under more stress with Jim's illness during Logan's puppy time and most likely just did not tune in as much. So it is the sudden hearing and seeing birds, flapping of the flag on the pole, the temperature floaters in the pool, shadows be it from the sun or lights at night, all things that have him sitting and staring intently. He is fascinated at night with the fox statue under the Red Bud that has a spotlight on it. He has not yet noticed the coyote with spot over by pool fountain.
Rookie is a people person puppy as most are. The only people he has seen though are my son and granddaughters and he thinks them wonderful or is it the carefree abandon I allow outside with so many more eyes watching over him? Their pup is always overjoyed to see me and my crew, but interesting he also views Rookie an outsider. Rookie shows him proper respect bowing and
 being very submissive and mindful to the 12-pound grouch. I used it as a teaching moment for my granddaughters on a dog showing
 respect. Last time over it was bath day for all dogs in the new outdoor tub and after a few minutes Rookie was totally fine with the whole procedure. After he discovered one girl's goggles on the pool deck, and it was game on. When Katelyn caught up with him and called and said give, he sat and released the goggles. I yelled good boy!! The other day I closed hallway doors and Rookie and I played fetch the ball with a come and a sit and a give. He is catching on and on last one offered the sit without my saying it. This is the same place he did a photo shoot for me offering to hold a sit while I got on the floor to take the photo.
Well, off to do some obedience drills with mine and to start some new things with the pup. I am tired of my own company during these trying days, but the days do fly by and at night I tiredly clean up the kitchen floor covered in old dog toys, new dog toys and chew bones. I often find not enough hours in the day for everything. Hope to see some of you soon.
(Left) Rookie enjoys a nap after playing in his "War Zone."

## Its That Time of Year!

By Carol Ford

## As I'm driving around, I often see owners with their dogs and wonder if they know or remember some of this season's dilemmas that our dogs face.



## Here are some:

| Water | I carry water in my truck every day of the year! But right now, it is especially important. Our pups need just as much water as we are drinking. |
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| Cars | Not the time of year to leave your Pup in the car! Especially with the windows up. I always look for a shade tree to park under. And always leave the windows down. |
| Hot Surfaces | If you cannot touch it or stand barefoot on it, don't forget you can burn your pup's feet on that jog or wonderful walk. Or worse, making them sit! on the hot concrete, or tailgate of truck. |
| Boats | It is highly suggested that you have a life jacket on your pup in the boat. If an accident does happen, they stand a better chance of coming to the surface with a life jacket on. |
| Mosquitoes | This is Mosquito season! If you are outside and getting bit, so is your pup! You can put garlic in their food. Buy some all-natural fly and mosquito spray (tractor supply or any place that sells horse supply. Even human will do!) |
| Fire Ants | Pups love to lay in the flower beds this time of year. Even stepping in an ant bed. Coconut oil works well. Anti-itch spray always cools the hurt as well. |
| Snakes | Copperheads are out at night right now. We have had so much rain. Have the Animal emergency rooms number in your cellphone. The quicker you get them to a vet, the better chance you have of saving them. |
| Crowds | Do not forget that your dog only sees at his eye level. So, there are many many legs. A small child grabbing an ear, or a rough pet or a playful child can make a misunderstood jester for your pup. Be aware what your dog is doing so you can help explain what did happen in the situation. Crowds of people can be quite confusing to our dogs. |
| Firecrackers | Don't forget that the $4^{\text {th }}$ isn't the only firecrackers going off this time of year. I have them most every night right now. Tight shirts or Thunder wraps. Don't have one? A bandage wrap will work just as well. You can also leave the tv on up loud and or music to defray the sound. |
| Swimming | Dogs are like kids, they don't know when to quit. Water intoxication can be a very critical condition for our dogs. |

Remember our dogs are our best friends. They rely on us to be their verbal advocates. Have a fun and safe 4th of July!

## Top Signs of Chronic Pain in Dogs

- Reduced interaction with their families
- Reluctance to move
- Biting or nipping when bumped or jostled
- Growling if a body part is touched or manipulated
- Whimpering or whining for no apparent reason
- Loss of appetite
- Appearance of anxiety and restlessness
- Inability to get comfortable
- Continuous moving, circling, or pacing
- Abnormal postures, statue-like or hunched up
- Abnormal gait with an obvious lameness or stiff appearance
- Repeated licking or chewing at the site of the pain.


## Signs Of Heatstroke In Dogs Include:

- Panting, which increases as heatstroke progresses.
- Drooling, salivating.
- Agitation, restlessness.
- Bright red tongue.
- Very red or pale gums.
- Increased heart rate.
- Breathing distress.
- Vomiting, diarrhoea (possibly with blood)



## Have fun

 thissummer in the water!


# Need a new trick to teach your dog? <br> Try this one: Carry a Basket (of Cotton or Pot of Gold)! 


#### Abstract

Are you looking for a new trick to teach your pup? Wagwalking.com offers these steps toward "Carry a Basket." https://wagwalking.com/training/carry-a-basket They show two two methods to teach "Carry a Basket." For a video of the same trick, check out this link from AKC: https://youtu.be/hIQBP5HIvu8 Have fun!


## Michele Hosey

## The Peanut Butter Method Effective

## STEP 1 Bait the basket

The hardest part of training your dog to carry a basket is getting him to pick it up. Try smearing a little peanut butter on the handle.

## STEP 2 Pick up the basket

The peanut butter will encourage your pup to get used to the handle and how it feels in his mouth.

## STEP 3 Carry the basket

Now encourage him to bring the basket to you. When he does, be sure to give him plenty of praise and a treat or two.

## STEP 4 Add items

Once he has learned to bring the empty basket to you, start adding small toys
 to it and repeating the process. More treats and praise.
STEP 5 Walk with the basket
Finally, try going for short walks with your pup proudly carrying his own basket. Lots of praise and treats will help reinforce this lesson and by the time Halloween comes around he will be ready to go with you.


## The Click and Treat Method

STEP 1 Introduce the basket
Place the basket on the ground where your dog can see it.

## STEP 2 Reward

When your pup starts walking towards it, throw a treat near it and say, "Good boy" or simply "Yes" use the clicker and give a treat.
STEP 3 Move up to touching
Once she has gotten used to being given a treat for getting close, switch to giving him a treat and a click only when he touches the basket.
STEP 4 Introduce command
Now work on using the command "Get the basket" or whatever you choose.
STEP 5 Pick up the basket
Encourage your pup to pick up the basket. Have him bring it to you and reward him with a click and a treat. It won't take long before he is carrying his basket everywhere.



## AUGUST PAW PRINT

## THEME: WORKING GROUP

If your dog is a member of the working group, this is your month to highlight your dog's accomplishments and talents.
What things does your dog like to do that clearly shows you he/she is arvesome.

DUE DATE: SAT., AUG. 20 (or earlier)

UPCOMING MONTHLY THEMES:

| SEPTEMBER | ALL-AMERICAN DOGS |
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| OCTOBER | RESCUE DOGS |
| NOVEMBER | PUPPIES |
| DECEMBER | HOLIDAY PHOTOS |

## JULY DOG CALENDAR:

- National Lost Pet Prevention Month ${ }^{\text {TM }}$. Learn how to keep your pets from becoming lost in this month-long observance launched by PetHub.
- National Pet Hydration Awareness Month.
- Dog House Repair Month.
- July 1: ID Your Pet Day.
- July 4: Independence Day. This US holiday is no holiday for dogs; the sounds of fireworks causes many dogs to panic and run, resulting in many lost dogs every year.
- July 11: All-American Pet Photo Day.
- July 15: National Pet Fire Safety Day. Sponsored by the The National Volunteer Fire Council (NVFC), ADT Security Services and the American Kennel Club® (AKC).
- July 21: National Craft for your Local Shelters Day.
- July 21: No Pet Store Puppies Day.
- July 26: National Dog Photography Day. UK holiday.
- July 27-Aug 3: National Feed a Rescue Pet Week: Launched in 2017, this holiday by GreaterGood.org and The Animal Rescue Site aims to feed shelter pets.
- July 31: National Mutt Day.


Paw Print - July 2020
There are two scholarships currently available by the club. If you know a worthy recipient for the Terri Clary scholarship, please contact a DTCDC Board member or Training Committee member. For the Greg Quintana Memorial Fund, please contact Robin Quintana.

## TERRI CLARY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

In keeping with the club's mission and in recognition of the hard work of both dog and handler, the Terri Clary Memorial Scholarship is awarded to the canine/handler pair that has made the most progress overcoming significant training challenges. This Scholarship allows dog and handler to come back to the next session of beginner obedience classes, free of charge, to allow them both to meet their goals.

## The Greg Quintana Memorial Fund



Greg started with his first dog McKenzie in puppy class in 2005. McKenzie and Greg went on to compete in obedience and rally. He and Jax once again started in puppy classes in 2009 and competed
 in obedience, rally and conformation. Greg also shared his six dogs in therapy work. Dog training opened many doors for him to pursue many adventures. He would be proud to see the juniors carry on his love of dog training and showing.
The Greg Quintana Memorial Fund will offer scholarships to Juniors for training classes and entry fees for any venue in conformation or performance event. Juniors can apply up to three times a year. A request for an application can be sent to grquintana@sbcglobal.net.


## Georgann Hughes brags:

Many thanks to the DFW Tracking Club for a beautifully run weekend of Scentwork trials at Camp Carter in Ft. Worth, Texas, June 20 and 21.


Jazz had a wonderful weekend, especially on Saturday, qualifying in all 4 element classes at the Novice B level - Exterior, Interior, Containers and Buried. I did not enter either dog in Handler Discrimination this time. He placed first in 3 classes, second in one. Because of his high placements, he earned High in Trial Novice for that day. On Sunday, he wasn't quite close enough to the hide in Exterior to pass, darn it! He did qualify in Novice Interior, 2nd place, Advanced Con-
tainers, 4th place and Novice Buried, just out of placements because he took time to pull a sticker out of his paw in the middle of the search, spat it out, then went right to the hide and alerted. Too funny! Darn sticker kept him from placing, poor baby. There were tons of burrs and stickers on the grounds and I did check him for them before running him, but I missed that one!
BTW, he did finish his Novice Containers title on Saturday, hence his move up to Advanced Containers on Sunday and the nice title rosette.


Lest you think poor Swish had a bad weekend, she was only entered in one class each day, since she and Jazz would've been in the same classes except for Containers and you can't run two dogs in the same class. She finished her Advanced Containers title on Saturday, finished out of the placements, but still did a solid job. Moved up to Excellent Containers on Sunday - finding 3 hides instead of 2 - found one hide, was interested in the other two together, but I moved her off, so that was on me. Handler error, so she didn't qualify. She has forgiven me, sweet girl. I've kicked myself thoroughly.
I'm so very proud of our two rescue puppers! They are a joy to play Scentwork/Nosework together!


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Jose Rodriguez received an email from the German Pinscher Club of America that Eichler qualified and will be receiving the Versatile German Pinscher Excellent award. He is sponsoring the above as a page in their annual publication in July.


Gidgett Schurr at her first therapy dog visit on July 3, 2019, at Dallas VA Medical Center. Mom Terri is very proud of her patriotic pup!

Lynda Holman says, "Magoo wears his PAWTRITIC bandana to celebrate July 4th!"


Robin Vogel's Shelties Dori (at left) and Gabe show their patriotic pride.


Krystal Hatcher shares this photo of Sophie and Teague being patriotic in 2015.
"Patriotic Whippets, Sophie and Teague"



Jennie Dunaway's Kip stays cool in the pool. He is her Patriotic Pup!

Pam White's
Boston Terriers,
Avery \& Oreo, show their patriotic spirit!



Jan Hitchborn's three musketeers show their patriotic spirit.

Craig and Lana Shuman's dynamic standard schnauzer duo, BeBe and Fiona, show off their patriotic hats and bandanas.
"Happy Independence Day!"


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## DD® HaITMOr



## Classic Dog Puns

- He's barking up the wrong tree.
- Paws-itively!
- Today's been ruff.
- She's having a ball!
- Come to the bark side.
- Bone Appetit!
- My dog's not fat, she's just a little Husky.
- You have the Corg-key to my heart.
- Yes, they Maltese-d his hair at the groomer's.
- We have to throw out the mattress. We have bed-Pugs.
- Retriever? I hardly know her.
- I call bull-Shih Tzu.
- He's Great Dane-gerous.
- He's doing a thorough Lab report.
- He won't bring the ball back. He says it's too far-fetched.
- She's the best branch manager. I'm going to promote her.
- He's really hounding me for treats.
- Yes, my dog's in the car. I needed a new subwoofer.
- It's cold outside. He's a chili dog.
- We're friends fur-ever.


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Celebrating the cancellation of 4th of July fireworks !


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Provided by Lynda Holman


How to address a problem: two methods.


## "Duncan and Kate provide lumbar support."

## Dogs Word Search


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## Answers




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GERMAN SHEPHERD DACHSHUND
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JACK RUSSELL TERRIER
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PEKINGESE BOXER

ST. BERNARD

## PUG

ENGLISH SHEPHERD COCKER SPANIEL PAPILLON POODLE

KEESHOND MALTESE DALMATIAN GREAT DANE HARRIER CHIHUAHUA

## Help Dani find the Door



